



SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

RE Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Information furnished as at 30 August, 2002

This Report is a Report on Form 6-K filed by Reed Elsevier PLC

REED ELSEVIER PLC
(Registrant)

25 Victoria Street
LONDON SW1H 0EX
ENGLAND
(Address of principal executive office)

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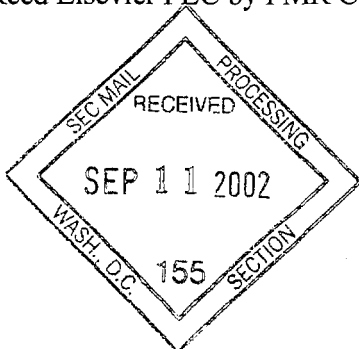
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Yes

No ☐

Schedule of Information contained in this Report

Notification to the London Stock Exchange concerning the disclosure of interest in voting shares in Reed Elsevier PLC by FMR Corp. and its subsidiary Fidelity International Limited.



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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Reed Elsevier PLC
Registrant


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By: L DIXON

Title: Deputy Company Secretary

Date: 2 September, 2002



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The London Stock Exchange
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Dear Sirs

AVS Security Number: 337983
Disclosure of Interest in Voting Shares

Pursuant to Part VI of the Companies Act 1985 (as amended) a notification was received on 30 August 2002 from Fidelity Investments in which they advised that, as at 29 August 2002, FMR Corp. and its direct and indirect subsidiaries, and Fidelity International Limited and its direct and indirect subsidiaries, no longer have a notifiable interest in the issued share capital of the Company.

Yours faithfully
for **REED ELSEVIER PLC**

L DIXON
Deputy Company Secretary

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